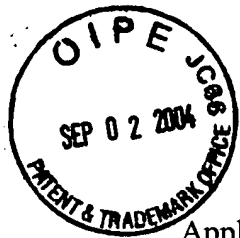


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In response to the Office Action of May 3, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as follows.